

Appl. No. 10/758,005
Reply and Amendment dated October 24, 2005
Reply to Final Office Action of June 24, 2004

Remarks

Applicant requests entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the application. The amendments place the application in condition for allowance or better form for appeal. At page 6 of the Office Action, the Examiner notes that allowable subject matter includes claim 9. Applicant has inserted the language of claim 9 into independent claims 1, 15, and 19. Accordingly, all the claims should now be allowable.

Claims 8 and 9 have been cancelled. New claim 21 includes the subject matter of claim 13 presented as dependent upon claim 19.

No new matter enters by the amendments.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1, 3-8, 13, 15 and 19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Picture A and B.

As noted above, applicant has amended claims 1 and 15 to include the subject matter of allowable claim 9.

Applicants requests withdrawal of this rejection.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claim 2 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Pictures A and B in view of Anderson, U.S. Patent 2,765,554.

Claims 14 and 16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Pictures A and B in view of Dunne, U.S. Patent 4,015,349.

Claims 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, and 20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Picture A and B in view of Johnson, U.S. Patent 2,052,771.

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The application is in condition for allowance. Timely notification of allowability is requested.

If there are any additional fees due with the filing of this document, including fees for the net addition of claims, applicants respectfully request that any and all fees be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1129. If any extension of time request or any petition is required for the entry of this paper or any of the accompanying papers, applicants hereby petition or request the extension necessary. If necessary, the undersigned authorizes any fee payment from Deposit Account No. 50-1129.

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